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FOR: Novel Methods of Diagnosing
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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 1, 2000,
please enter the following amendments and remarks.
Reconsideration of the pending claims as amended and in view of the
arguments herein is requested.

REMARKS

Double Patenting

Claim 1 stands provisionally rejected under the judicially
created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being
unpatentable over claim 21 of copending Application No.